

VERA CRUZ TO BE BURNED TO STOP PLAGUE

ALL FACTIONS CONFIDENT OF G. O. P. VICTORY

Senators Johnson and Harding Arrive in Chicago to Get Ring Side Seats
PLATFORM BUILDERS GET MUCH ADVICE
Campaign Managers Ooze Reasons Why Their Men Will Get Nomination

CHICAGO, June 3.—Two Republican presidential candidates—Senator Johnson, of California, and Senator Harding, of Ohio—arrive in Chicago today and their coming marks the beginning of the active days of the pre-convention period.

Five days remain before the Republican party assembles in the coliseum to pick its candidate and those five days are expected to contain crowded hours of conferences, last minute alignment of forces and final decisions among the campaign managers. Everyone of the candidates except Herbert Hoover is expected here at some time.

Delegates Arriving
The advance guard of the delegates are beginning to arrive and by Sunday they will be coming in a steady stream. The majority of them, to be sure, are technically unpledged, but most of them have their leanings and very few of them are claimed by less than three campaign managers. Some of the chairmen of the incoming delegations are announcing their preferences in prepared statements which breathe confidence of success, but the political managers standing on the side lines and making up their states have found no reason for changing their opinions, that while some of the candidates have enough delegates to give them formidable fighting strength in the convention, it is going to take more than two or three ballots to show where the forces of conciliation and compromise might be applied to bring forth a candidate who will command a majority.

Much Speculation
If the realm of speculation were to be entered it would be necessary to mention practically every candidate who announced himself thus far because every one of those candidates has a manager who advances a set of reasons why his principal is the logical choice for a convention which will not be prepared to give a majority of its votes to anyone at the outset.

As the delegates begin to gather there is a forerunner of discussion of the convention issues which will find expression in the party platform and those who are interested in having the party take a position on various subjects are busy lining up influences which they expect to be effective in the deliberations of the resolutions committee.

Matters to Speed Up
As soon as the members of the national committee are freed from consideration of the claims of delegations contesting for seats, things are expected to move along with more speed. The committee will then be free to give their attention to the convention issues. While the contests are one topic of discussion, platform prospects are to them left hand work.

The committee still had before it awaiting decision the Florida and Georgia cases and the right cases from Mississippi. The indications are that the time consuming controversy, mid-west regional director for the national committee, was commissioned to present views to leading Republican women and to advise the sub-committee as to a definite plan may be recommended to the full national committee next Monday.

Two Women Factions
The committee is confronted with the task of harmonizing the views of two schools of thought among the women. One asks dual control of the party with parallel organization of men and women. The other said that "adequate representation" of the women on the governing bodies of the parties would be wiser.

A meeting of women has been called for Sunday afternoon and all female delegates and alternates to the convention as well as other leading Republican women have been invited to attend. About 300 are expected to take part in the deliberations.

The sub-committee which met this morning consists of Coleman DuPont, Delaware; Rudolph Hynicka, Ohio; John T. Adams, Iowa; R. E. Howell, Nebraska; Ralph E. Williams, Oregon.
Taft for Hoover
Robert Taft, son of former President William Howard Taft and a Hoover worker, was among the early arrivals today. Mr. Taft has been paying particular attention to the Ohio situation as it concerns the Hoover movement and reports that he finds all of the delegates from that state, with one exception, in a favorable frame of mind toward Hoover after Wood and Harding have ceased to be contenders.
Another arrival was H. H. Mottero, state chairman of the party in Kansas. Mr. Mottero applauded yesterday's decision of the national committee to oust all delegates from the Kansas City, Mo., district.

PROHIBITIONISTS' QUIZ G. O. P. CITIZENS WILL FIGHT DISEASE WITH FLAMES

BABY BOY TAKEN FROM CRIB BY MYSTERY GANG

NORRISTOWN, Pa., June 3.—The mystery surrounding the kidnapping of 13-months-old Blakeley Coughlin who was stolen from his crib early yesterday, was still unsolved today.

Apparently the kidnapers were well acquainted with the Coughlin house. They used a ladder to reach the nursery window.

PLAYING SLAVE TO TRADITION BAD--DANIELS

Navy Secretary Gives Address to Graduating Class of Annapolis Academy

ANNAPOLIS, Md., June 3.—Upon the spirit and will of its officers to cast off "slavery to tradition" and venture into the realm of things new and untried depends the future strength and efficiency of the American navy, Secretary Daniels told the graduating class of midshipmen at the naval academy here today in presenting diplomas to its 289 members.

"To some men tradition is a taskmaster, a hard rule, a beaten path, the secretary declared. To others it is a star in the firmament, a light to the pathway, wings on which to mount for clearer vision and wiser action, to win the goal, not by precedent or rule, but by an illumination that is spirit and not deed.

Change in Tactics
"No two wars were ever won by the same tactics and a few by the same weapons. The military leader of the future must navigate his ships by radio and the day may even come when all his fleet craft may be air navies battling in the central blue.

Boldness and Audacity
"The American tradition of boldness and audacity," the speaker continued, "enforced by world war achievement, will save you from the danger of slavish adherence to tradition or precedent in method while heartening you with the gliding realization that this tradition of daring and audacity is bounded by no limits or possibilities or mirages."

The secretary told the young officers they were to be congratulated upon their achievement in completing the work of exhumation in the larger of the two American military cemeteries at Brest shows that 55 per cent of the bodies were requested by relatives, possibly indicating the proportion to be removed from all of the American cemeteries in France. The bodies remaining at Brest will be removed later into one or two of the large fields of honor.

Exhumation work at Brest will be finished within ten days, when it will be shifted to St. Nazaire. The third shipment of bodies will leave Brest within a few days, making a total of 1,000 sent to the United States from that port.

STRIKING TAXI DRIVERS 'BEAT UP' SUBSTITUTES

DENVER, June 3.—Two substitute taxi drivers were lured to the outskirts of the city and beaten, the automobile of one was stolen and another car loaded with tourists forced to discharge its passengers at the foot of Lookout Mountain, as the result of a taxicab drivers strike here according to reports to the police.

CHILE'S RELATIONS MOST FRIENDLY, SAYS CHIEF

SANTIAGO, Chile, June 2.—Chile's international relations are most cordial, President San Fierro declared today in opening parliament. The only exception to this rule, he declared, was the situation between Chile and Peru. In dealing with Peru, he said, Chile was disposed to adhere strictly to the principles which she had followed in the past.

ASK CANDIDATES IF THEY FAVOR STRICT 'DRY' LAW

Will Tell Whole Country Answers Received on Two Questions

'HALF OF ONE PER CENT' ADVOCATES IN ACTION

Reform Organizations Work for Endorsement Plan in Platform

CHICAGO, June 3.—Virgil G. Hinshaw, chairman of the prohibition national committee this morning drew up two questions for presentation to dates and said he was going immediately to their headquarters to ask an answer in person of each candidate or his representative. The questions were:

Subjects for Quiz
"Do you believe in the 18th amendment as interpreted by the Volstead act, which act as you understand interpreters intoxicating liquors to be anything containing more than one-half of one per cent of alcohol?"

"Do you favor your party adopting a plank in its national platform endorsing the prohibition party and its enforcement as interpreted by the Volstead act or some measure equally effective?"

Mr. Hinshaw declared he intended to tell the whole country what answer each candidate made to these questions.

Bryan in Campaign
William Jennings Bryan will arrive here tomorrow, Mr. Hinshaw said, and the prohibition party chairman will work with him as with other friends of prohibition to get a platform endorsement of the prohibition amendment as interpreted by the Volstead act.

The candidates will be invited to a meeting Sunday, Mr. Hinshaw added. This meeting is being called today by a number of reform organizations including the prohibition party, the International Reform bureau and church temperance organizations.

The subject of the bureau meeting will be "The 18th Amendment—What Will the Political Parties Do With It?"

To See Both Parties
Mr. Bryan had been invited to speak but owing to engagements in Wisconsin he will not be in the city Sunday.

A committee appointed by the National Temperance council will wait on the platform committee of the Republican party next week and will also visit the Democratic resolutions committee at San Francisco, the prohibition chairman said.

FOOTPRINTS TELL STORY OF SMALL BOY TRAGEDY

PORTLAND, Ore., June 3.—The bodies of Mario and Frankie Casale, 11 and 7 years of age respectively, were taken from the Willamette river here, solving a mystery of their disappearance since they were last seen last night and unfolding a tale, according to footprints of a desperate attempt on the part of the older boy to save his little brother. The smaller youth, who disappeared last night, was found floating in the river, and the older brother, footprints indicated, had made every effort to drag him to land but his feet slipped in the soft mud and he, too, went under.

CHARGE BAD TREATMENT TOWARD SUGAR WORKERS

NEW YORK, June 3.—Charges that the owners of sugar plantations in Porto Rico were treating their employees in an inhuman manner and profiting in their product were made today before the Lusk legislative committee, investigating profiteering and its relation to radical activities, by Peter J. Brady, who recently conducted an investigation of labor conditions on the island.

Mr. Brady recommended that the federal government take over the Porto Rican sugar crop, either by direct purchase at a fixed price or by seizure, which he believed this country had a right to do.

HAPPY CHILDREN MORE IMPORTANT THAN NEAT PARK

CHICAGO, June 3.—Aldermen of the city of Evanston, a suburb, today denied the petition of 100 residents who sought to prohibit children from playing in the suburb's chief park.

The aldermen declared that "raising grass is secondary to happy children."

SOVIETS WOULD RATHER TRADE WITH AMERICA

State Department Refuses to Let U. S. Men Enter Russia on Business Trip

LONDON, June 3.—(By the Associated Press)—Although the only official enlightenment on the progress of the negotiations between Gregory Krassin, the Russian Bolshevik minister of trade and commerce, Premier Lloyd George and members of the British cabinet, is conveyed in the statement that resumption of trade between Russia and western Europe has been under discussion, it is learned today that the Bolshevik emissaries are more urgently desirous of renewing trade with America than with Europeans. This is because of American ability to supply more quickly and in greater volume commodities, rolling stock, agricultural implements and other materials for which Russia has pressing need. American official quarters here, however, have not been advised of the lines the discussions have taken but it is believed that when they reach a conclusion the proposals of each side tentatively agreed upon will be submitted to the Washington to determine its policy.

Today had been tentatively fixed for Mr. Krassin's first meeting with the British, French, Italian and Belgian representatives on the supreme economic council, but there was no word tonight of such a meeting.

Passports Refused
WASHINGTON, June 3.—(By the Associated Press)—Requests of the chamber of commerce of the United States for passports for a commission to enter Russia to study problems concerning the resumption of commercial relations with Russia were refused by the state department.

Officials explained that the consistent attitude of the department has been to refuse all requests from travelers to enter Bolshevik territory. At the same time, it was announced that the attitude of the American government had not changed towards the resumption of trade with Russia.

Despite the progress of negotiations to this end in London between the Bolshevik minister of trade and commerce, Krassin, and Premier Lloyd George and representatives of other governments.

Even should Great Britain decide to modify her former attitude towards the question, officials said the United States would not necessarily be influenced to take favorable action.

Opposition of the state department to the entrance into Russia proper of the commission of the chamber of commerce is not expected to apply to the proposed visit of the commission to Europe.

Danes Are Busy
COPENHAGEN, June 3.—Gregory Krassin, the Russian Soviet minister of trade and commerce who is now in London, is expected soon to open negotiations with the international committee on the resumption of trade with Russia.

Danish firms have recently sold large quantities of agricultural machinery, seeds and medicinal supplies for early delivery to Russia.

EXPORT DUTY ON WHEAT LOWERS COST TO PEOPLE

BUENOS AIRES, June 1.—Argentina has been facing one of the most complex problems of economic logic, how to deal with the enhanced value of its products, and, at the same time, meet the advance in costs to domestic customers. President Irigoyen, in his message to congress today, asked for legislation imposing an additional export duty on wheat. He declared public authorities cannot view with indifference the price to which wheat products have arisen.

TENNESSEE PUT IN SERVICE AS GIANT OF SEA

Last Word in Warship Architecture Cost Uncle Sam Twenty Millions

'FIGHTING BRAIN' IS FEATURE OF MONSTER

Officer and Crew Have Elaborate Features to Care for Their Wants

NEW YORK, June 3.—The super-dreadnaught Tennessee, the largest and most formidable battleship afloat, goes into commission today at the Brooklyn navy yard. Constructed here at a cost of \$20,000,000, she represents the last word in battleship architecture. She is 425 feet long, has a beam of 98 feet and a displacement of 32,500 tons.

She is the next thing to a pleasure yacht in the comfort of her appointments for officers and men, and is the first battleship to recruit her entire personnel from the state, from which it takes its name.

Special Features
The special feature which distinguishes the Tennessee from all other units of the United States navy is the highly organized "fighting brain," enclosed in a steel fort near the top of the forward mast. Here are concentrated devices for observing enemy ships, enabling the crew to quickly ascertain the position of enemy craft. Special devices enable the crew to quickly train the fourteen-inch guns on the enemy before the crew of another battleship known could even sight the Tennessee. This new device consists of three decks and their fighting complement is twenty-five men.

By special signaling devices reports from the fighting top can be flashed instantly to all parts of the ship. This "fighting brain" is filled with delicate instruments never before used on a battleship.

Another important feature in the construction of the Tennessee is her electrical control of speed enabling her to quickly change from her capacity speed of twenty-one knots to an almost imperceptible motion.

Ship's Daily Paper
The Tennessee is the first battleship to have been built with more care for the comfort of her crew than any other battleship in the world. Her size makes possible spacious lockers, baths and recreation quarters. She has a handsome furnished club room and library for enlisted men. She has a printing shop with a linotype machine and press, which will print the ship's daily paper.

The Tennessee is the first battleship to be equipped with a motion picture camera. She will not actually be put into service until August 1, when she will sail on a practice cruise to Guantanamo, Cuba. Her present crew of Tennesseans number 6,431.

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CONGRESS WILL END SESSION ON SATURDAY

Wilson Won't Call Special Meeting Unless Grave Emergency Arises, He Says

WASHINGTON, June 3.—Congress will end its present session Saturday under a resolution of adjournment adopted today by the senate after assurances from President Wilson that he did not intend to call a special session during the summer unless a grave emergency arose.

The vote on the resolution was 41 to 24. It came after two attempts to amend the measure so as to provide for a recess in the one case to July 12 and in the other to August 2 had failed.

WOMEN MUST REMOVE HATS IN CONVENTION

CHICAGO, June 3.—Women attending the Republican national convention are asked by Mrs. Raymond Robins to wear plain small hats and to take them off as soon as they are seated in the convention hall. Mrs. Robins is the wife of the chairman of the last Progressive party convention and a prominent worker for the betterment of women's industrial conditions.

W. M. Bounds, a delegate to the Republican national convention from Collins Miss., appeared today adorned with a placard announcing: "I am wearing out my old clothes."

DUTCH DECLARE BOYCOTT ON HUNGARIAN COMMERCE

AMSTERDAM, June 3.—Decision to proclaim a general boycott on all commerce with Hungary was reached by the executive committee of the International trades unions and the general council of the International Federation of Transport Workers here yesterday. This boycott will begin on June 20.

The resolutions were passed as a protest against the prosecution of Hungarian workmen by the white terror.

VENIZELLOS WILL KEEP MARTIAL LAW IN FORCE

ATHENS, Greece, June 3.—Martial law in this country will continue as long as Greece is at war with Turkey and the peace treaty is unsigned, Premier Venizelos asserted in a speech in the chamber of deputies today. Opposition parties had been clamoring for the abolition of martial law to start a propaganda "for the return of King Constantine," he declared.

U. S. WILL HAVE MEMBER AT SPA CONFERENCE

PARIS, June 3.—The United States is likely to be unofficially represented in the coming conference with the Germans at Spa through the presence of the reparations' commission, of which Roland W. Boyden, of Boston, formerly connected with Herbert Hoover's organization, is an unofficial member.

Residents of Vera Cruz to Sacrifice Third of Buildings if Necessary

PROFFER OF AID FROM U. S. ACCEPTED

Reports Received of Activity by Bandit Villa and His Rebel Band

MEXICO CITY, June 3.—(By The Associated Press)—One-third of the houses of Vera Cruz will be burned because of the bubonic plague infection, it has been decided by the citizens of that city, according to the Excelsior today.

State authorities at Vera Cruz have accepted the offer of the United States government to send a sanitary detachment and supplies to that city for the purpose of combating the spread of bubonic plague, says a dispatch from that city to the newspaper Universal. One suspected case of the plague was found yesterday, the dispatch says. Rigid quarantine regulations are being enforced.

Three in Hospital
VERA CRUZ, June 3.—Three persons who were taken to the isolation hospital here following attacks of the bubonic plague have died and three others are in a serious condition.

Bandit Is Busy
WASHINGTON, June 3.—Advises today to the state department said Francisco Villa, the Mexican rebel leader, was reported to have attacked Parral yesterday and to have been repulsed by the garrison with some losses. Ignacio Enriquez, military commander of Chihuahua, was said to be pursuing the rebel chief.

Railway service between Chihuahua and Jimenez, has been resumed, the American consul at Chihuahua City, informed the department.

Protection Assured
MEXICO CITY, June 3.—Southern revolutionary chiefs were assured protection yesterday by General P. Elias Calles, provisional minister of war, who conferred with them during the day. He advised them to appoint a chief of state and a provisional government for the state of Morelos.

New Governor Speaks
LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 3.—Protection of foreign capital, encouragement of business and stimulation of industry in Mexico will be possible under the new order of things there, Baldomero A. Almada, the new governor of the northern district of lower California, stated here today.

TURK SHOTS WOMAN WHO LEAVES OFF VEIL

LONDON, May 27.—One of the results of the introduction of western European ideas into the Near East is the growing habit of abandoning the veil, hitherto an indispensable article of attire for Turkish women. Many women now appear in the streets without their face is clearly visible.

A message from Pirizend, near Monastir, says a Turkish woman of good family, despite opposition to male members of the family, decided that she would be a free woman.

One of her male relatives thereupon followed her, firing revolver shots to frighten her and when these had no effect he fired in earnest, wounding her seriously and leaving her for dead in the streets.

AMERICAN JOCKEY'S FEAT SURPRISES PARIS FANS

PARIS, June 3.—Frank O'Neill, of St. Louis, the American jockey who rode Spion Kop, winner of the derby in Wednesday's great race at Epsom Downs, returned to Paris this morning O'Neill rides horses of William K. Vanderbilt on the French turf.

The defeat of Tetraema, who ruled a strong favorite in the betting here on the derby, caused consternation in Paris betting circles. More than 10,000,000 francs were wagered on the race in Paris alone.

Virtually all the American owners and trainers in France were betting on Allenby as their second choice in the race.

WHITE AND NEGRO TARS MIX IN STREET FIGHT

NEWPORT, England, June 3.—White and negro sailors clashed in street fighting last night and early this morning in this city. Several revolver shots were fired but resulted in no casualties. The encounter, which was caused by a quarrel over a woman, recalled similar rioting last year.

SENT TO SESSIONS OF RHINELAND COMMISSION

COBLENZ, June 2.—General Henry T. Allen has appointed Colonel David L. Stone, former chief of staff of the Third division, to act as representative of the American army of occupation at sessions of the allied Rhineland commission.

DESCHANEL MOTORS TO NORMANDY FOR VACATION

PARIS, June 3.—President Deschanell left Paris this morning in an automobile for the Chateau de la Montellerie, at Lisieux, Normandy, where he will rest for several weeks. The president seemed very alert.